



## Flathead National Forest

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## Flathead National Forest Hosting Open House

KALISPELL, MONT. – The Flathead National Forest is hosting two open house sessions in December on the topic of Vegetation Modeling Efforts for Forest Planning. These sessions are a follow-up to the two sessions that occurred last August. They will provide a brief review and expand on information and outputs presented in the earlier sessions.

The first open house will be on Wednesday, December 3, 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Flathead National Forest Supervisor's Office, 650 Wolfpack Way, Kalispell, Montana. The same material will be presented the following evening, Thursday, December 4, 6:30 to 8:00 at the Swan Ecosystem Center in Condon.

Members of the forest plan revision team will be present, including the silviculturist, wildlife biologist, and Regional analyst, to provide information and answer questions. Outputs of the vegetation simulation model (SIMPPLLE) will be presented, and the Spectrum model will be introduced. Spectrum is a tool used to schedule alternative vegetation treatments over time in the context of achieving management objectives and desired landscape conditions.

If you have any questions about the open house sessions please contact Joe Krueger, Forest Plan Revision Team Leader at (406) 758-5243.

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